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SUBJECT: SURVEY OF FLUOROCARBONS

REF: (A) STATE 217573; (B) STATE A-5061

1. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM IRISH GOVERNMENT SOURCES THAT THERE IS NO PRODUCTION OF FLUOROCARBONS IN IRELAND, AND THERE IS NO STATISTICAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON FLUOROCARBON USE OR THE ANNUAL RELEASE OF FLUOROCARBONS INTO THE ATMOSPHERE.

2. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL IRISH TRADE STATISTICS, IRELAND IN 1974 IMPORTED UNDER THE CUSTOMS HEADING OF "PRODUCTS DESCRIBED AS FLUOROCARBONS/MIXED DERIVATIVES" 180,832 KG OF MATERIALS AND EXPORTED 5,525 KG UNDER THE SAME HEADING. IRELAND IMPORTED IN THE SAME YEAR 12,712 KG OF MATERIALS UNDER THE CUSTOMS HEADING "PRODUCTS DESCRIBED AS BROMIDES AND POLYBROMIDES/MIXED DERIVATIVES" AND EXPORTED 950 KG OF THE SAME.

3. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT DOCTOR T. O'CONNOR OF THE PHYSICS DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY COLLEGE GALWAY PROPOSES TO SET UP A PROJECT IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO MONITOR THE RELEASE OF FLUOROCARBONS INTO THE ATMOSPHERE. WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED THAT DOCTOR JAMES LOVELOCK OF THE UNIVERSITY OF READING, WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN BASIC RESEARCH IN THIS FIELD FOR SOME TIME, CARRIES ON SOME MONITORING AT ADRIGOLE, CO. CORK, WHERE HE HAS A SUMMER RESIDENCE. CURLEY

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